

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY - ORIGINAL APPLICATION

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I verily believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below at 201) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural inventors are named below at 201-203) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **Method for Producing Substantially Globular Lyogels and Aerogels** the specification of which is attached hereto.

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims. I acknowledge my duty to disclose information of which I am aware which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Section 1.56(a), Title 37 of the Code of Federal Regulations; and as to applications for patents or inventors certificate on the invention filed in any country foreign to the United States of America, prior to this application by me or my legal representatives or assigns,

no such applications have been filed, or
 such applications have been filed as follows:

Country	Application No.	Date of Filing (day,month,yr)	Date of Issue	Priority Claimed Under 35 USC 119			
Germany	DE 19722738.4	May 30, 1997		YES	X	NO	
PCT	EP/98/03161	May 28, 1998		YES	X	NO	

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